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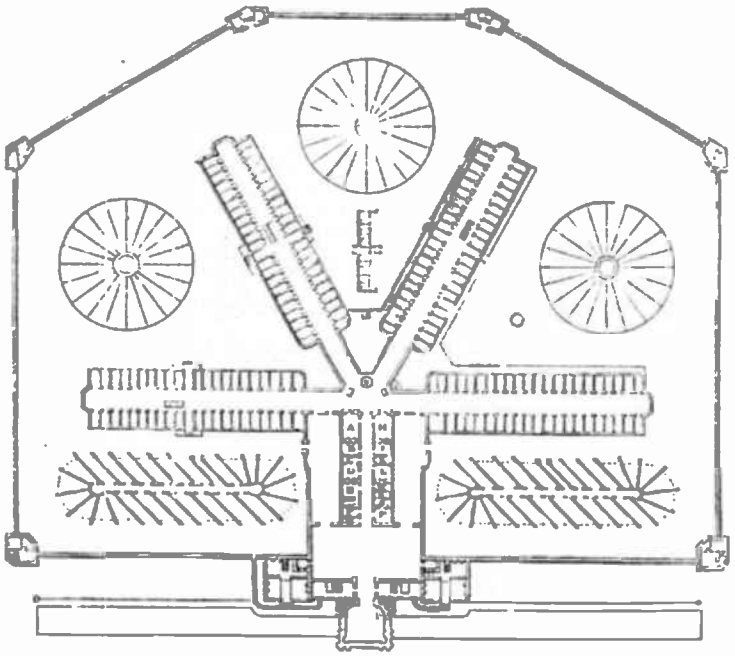

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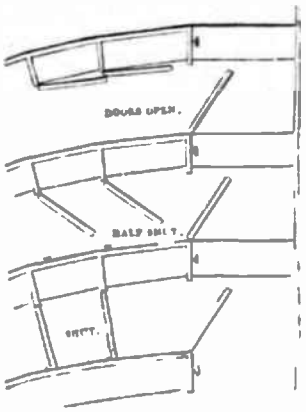

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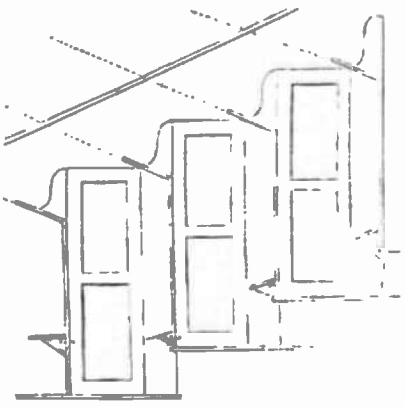

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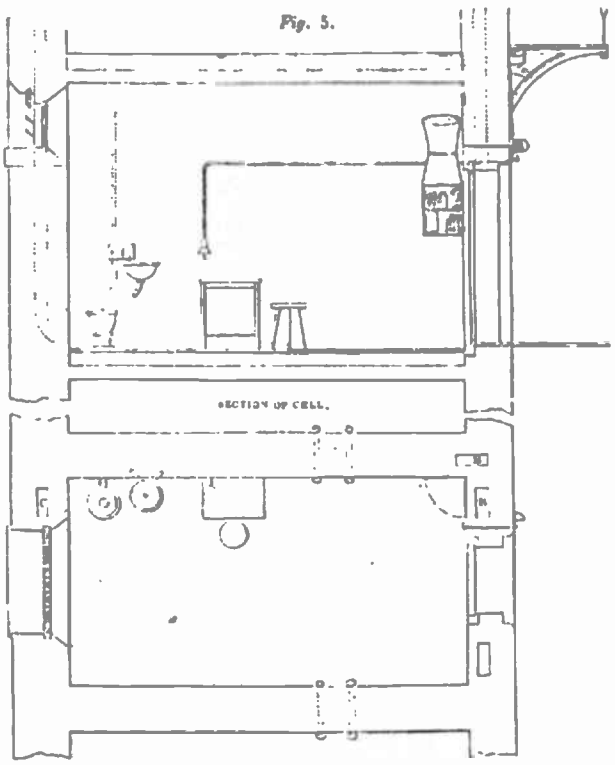

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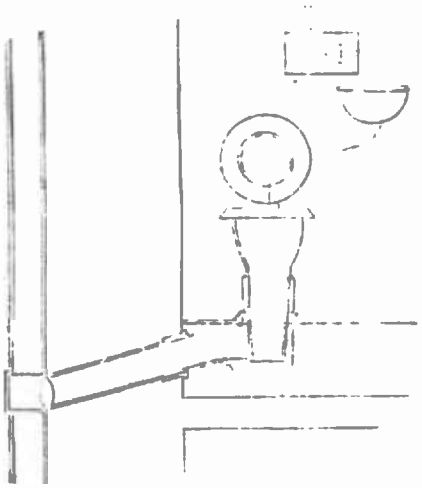

Fig. 6.

In enumerating the names of the above Gallo-Roman works, our object has been to draw attention to a class of style in architecture which has hitherto been too hastily condemned, because belonging to a debased era, and unable to bear comparison with Roman works of a higher stamp; but it should be remembered that each age had its peculiarities, from which many a useful lesson may be extracted, whether it be in the shape of a warning to avoid, or an inducement to imitate.

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CONSTRUCTION OF PRISONS.

The daily papers have doubtless made many of our readers acquainted with the fact, that a "Penitentiary Congress" was held at Brussels the week before last, wherein Major Jebb (commissioned by the Secretary of State), Mr. B. Rotch (the magistrate), and Mr. Charles Pearson, took a distinguished part.

Foremost amongst the subjects of debate was *the mode of constructing cellular prisons*; and as this is a matter which greatly concerns architects and others of our readers, we deem it right to record the results.

Colonel Jebb rightly remarked, that there was an intimate connection between the construction and the discipline of a prison. He was impressed with the necessity of having the various departments and the various offices of the establishment kept quite distinct one from the other, with a convenient mode of access to the centre and the cells. It was also essential that the families of the officers should not live in the prisons; that the latter should come to

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